



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

MAYOR: Lauren McLean

28 March 2022

The Honorable Pete Buttigieg
Secretary, U.S. Department of Transportation
1200 New Jersey Ave, SE
Washington, DC 20590

Re: Support for the Ada County Highway District Access to Opportunity Project

Dear Secretary Buttigieg:

City of Boise is pleased to write in support of Ada County Highway District's (ACHD) request for grant funding through the U.S. Department of Transportation R.A.I.S.E. program to further develop and design the Access to Opportunity Project. We applaud ACHD's efforts to advance the proposed project and recognize the positive impact it will have on a Historically Disadvantaged Community. The project will provide the community with connectivity and access to jobs, food, shopping, parks and recreation, education, health care, transit and overall access to opportunity that has not existed previously.

City of Boise is the largest municipality in ACHD's jurisdiction. ACHD's commitment advancing projects like those in this application helps achieve our goal of being a city for everyone. Ensuring access to economic and recreational opportunity while promoting modes of transportation that support bold climate action goals are an essential part of a prosperous future for our city. Multiple projects in this application complement work City of Boise is planning through our Pathways Masterplan, connecting on-street bike infrastructure to off-street pathways.

We strongly support this project and are excited to participate in the planning process with ACHD.

Sincerely,

Lauren McLean
Mayor
City of Boise